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the university system and the state college system. And what this calls for is that under our statutes we require that any expenditure of \$250,000 or more from revenue bond surpluses must be presented to the Coordinating Commission for Higher Education. The Coordinating Commission then reviews the request of the various bodies that are involved and, after that, if they approve, which they did in this case, it's submitted to the Legislature, in this case to the Appropriations Committee. It was presented to the Appropriations Committee and that committee approved the expenditure of these funds. The first one for the...that the regents were proposing was to improve and renovate the dining facilities at Harper-Schramm-Smith residence complex, and it's involving many changes there involving \$6,525,000. And it reconfigures the dining area, and improves the building heating, ventilating and air-conditioning system, and many other improvements which I don't think you want to hear about. The third one is the trustees of the state colleges have proposed a multiyear parking facility at Wayne State College and it's estimated this project will cost \$1,140,000. So there's more detail in connection with that, but it will provide for 200 additional parking stalls. The Coordinating Commission has approved this, the Appropriations Committee has approved this, and under our law it's required that we present it to you for your consideration. I might add that this does not involve any new funds by the Legislature. What this involves is the expenditure of funds by the various bodies, the Board of Regents and the trustees of the state college. And also, in case you had a question, this does not...it is not a situation where funds not expended would come back to the Legislature. It's, by the revenue bonds, it must be used on appropriate process such as this, and it's been approved by all of the parties involved, and I would ask for your approval of this resolution. Did anyone notice I've finished? (Laugh)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Mr. Clerk, an announcement, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, Education Committee will meet briefly underneath the north balcony right now. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Discussion on the Pederson...? Seeing no lights on, Senator Pederson, you're recognized to close.